2004 School Election Calendar

Date	Timeline	Action taken
<u>JUNE</u>		
6/23/2004	90 days prior to annual school election	First day to circulate and file petitions for school election. 20 signatures required. §6-14- 111
<u>JULY</u>		
7/23/2004	60 days before the annual school election	First day for county clerks to furnish applications on request for absentee ballots for the school election. §7-5-405
<u>AUGUST</u>		
8/7/2004*	45 days before the annual school election	Deadline for a candidate to file petitions of candidacy for the school election with the county clerk. § 6-14-111(b)
8/12/2004	40 days before the annual school election	Deadline for write-in candidates to notify county board of election commissioners of intent to be a candidate for the school election. §6-14-111(c)
8/13/2004	At least 60 days before runoff school election (10/12/04)	Deadline for county clerks to make available applications for absentee ballots for the school runoff election. §7-5-405
8/21/2004*	Within 14 days after deadline to file for office (8/7/04)	Deadline for county clerk to notify each candidate by mail of filing deadlines for pre-election and final reports and to send appropriate forms and instructions. §7-6-208
8/22/2004*	30 days before annual school election	Deadline for county election commission to change precinct boundaries and polling sites for the school election. §7-5-101(a)(4)(A)
8/22/2004*	30 days before annual school election	Deadline to apply to register to vote in the school election. §§6-14-108; 7-5-201(a) Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 51; NVRA;
8/22/2004*	30 days before annual school election	Deadline for State Board of Education to distribute school election kits upon request to county board of election commissioners for the school election. §6-14-113
8/26/2004	Within 14 days after deadline to file notice of intent to be a write in	Deadline for county clerk to notify each write in candidate by mail of filing deadlines for pre- election and final reports and to send appropriate forms and instructions. §7-6-208
8/27/2004	25 days before annual school election	Earliest date to place demonstration voting machines for the school election. §7-5-509(b)
8/27/2004	25 days before annual school election	Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver absentee ballots to the county clerk for the school election. §7-5-407(a)
SEPTEMBER		
9/1/2004	20 days before annual school election	Deadline for school board to begin publication of notice for the school election. (Notice must be published in newspaper once a week for three weeks.) §6-14-109(b)
9/1/2004	20 days before school election (5 days before early voting begins).	Deadline for county clerk to publish additional early voting sites. §7-5-418(b)(5)(B)
9/1/2004	20 days before annual school election	Deadline for county board of election commissioners to appoint election officials. §7-4-107(b)
9/6/2004*	15 days before annual school election	First day for early voting for the school election §7-5-418
9/6/2004*	15 days before annual school election	Deadline for county board of election commissioners to prepare, publish and post list of election officials. §7-4-107(b)
9/6/2004*	30 days after the deadline for filing for office	Deadline for school board candidates to file Statement of Financial Interest with the county clerk (unless filed as incumbent office holder by January 31, 2001) §21-8-701

9/11/2004*	30 days after the deadline for	Deadline for write-in school board candidates to file Statement of Financial Interest form
	filing for office as a write-in	unless filed by an incumbent office holder by January 31, 2001. §21-8-701
9/11/2004*	10 days before annual school election	Beginning date for the school board to publish polling site locations for the school election. §6-14-106(d)
9/11/2004*	10 days before annual school election	Deadline for county board of election commissioners to place demonstration voting machines for the school election. §7-5-509(b)
9/12/2004*	30 days before runoff school election	Deadline to apply to register to vote for runoff school election. §§6-14-108 & 7-5-201; Arkansas Constitution Amendment 51; NVRA;
9/14/2004	7 days before annual school election	Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for annual school election. §7-5-403(a)(2)
9/17/2004	25 days before runoff school election	First day to place demonstration voting machines for runoff school election. §7-5-509(b)
9/18/2004*	3 days before annual school election	Deadline for the school board to publish polling sites for the school election. §6-14-106(d).
9/20/2004	1 day before annual school election	Deadline for county clerks to receive applications for absentee ballots for the school election in person, or by designated bearer. §7-5-403(a)(2)
9/20/2004	1 day before annual school election	Deadline for the voter (except for overseas voters) to deliver or to cast an absentee ballot in person with the county clerk or to participate in early voting. §\$7-5-411(a)(iii): 7-5-418(a)
9/20/2004	1 day before annual school election	Deadline for county board of election commissioners to designate an election official to deliver ballots to polls. §7-5-211(a)(1)
9/21/2004	Third Tuesday in September	SCHOOL ELECTION - §6-14-102 (Polls open at 7:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m.) §7-5-304
9/21/2004	Annual School Election Day	1:30 p.m Deadline for delivery of application for an absentee ballot by an authorized agent of the voter for the school election. §7-5-403(a)(2)(iv)
9/21/2004	Annual School Election Day	7:30 p.m. Deadline for county clerk to receive absentee ballots (except for overseas ballots) by mail, or by delivery by a relative of voter, designated bearer or authorized agent for the school election. §7-5-411(a)(2)(A)
9/21/2004	Annual School Election Day	Deadline for civilian voters outside the U.S. to sign, date, postmark and personally mail absentee ballots to the county clerk (must be received by the county clerk by 10 days after election). §7-5-411
9/21/2004	Annual School Election Day	Deadline for uniformed services personnel on active duty to execute absentee ballots (must be received by the county clerk by 5:00 p.m. 10 days after the election). §7-5-411 (a)(1)(B)(ii)
9/21/2004	Annual School Election Day	Election sheriff shall post "Vote Here" sign near each main driveway entrance to polling site. §7-4-107(b)
9/21/2004	Immediately after the polls close	Deadline for return of all election materials from the polls to the county board of election commissioners for the school election. §7-5-317(b)
9/22/2004	20 days before runoff school election (5 days before early voting begins for runoff)	Deadline for county clerk to publish locations of additional early voting sites and hours, if any. §7-5-418
9/22/2004	20 days before runoff school election	School Board to give public notice of election time and place, and questions to be on ballot. §6-14-109(b)
9/22/2004	20 days before runoff school election	Deadline for county board of election commissioners to appoint election officials. §7-4-107(b)
9/23/2004	2 days after annual school election	First day for county board of election commissioners to ascertain and declare results of school board election. §6-14-115
9/27/2004	15 days before runoff school election	Deadline for county board of election commissioners to publish and post lists of appointees as election officials. §7-4-107(b)

9/27/2004	15 days before runoff school election	First day for early voting for runoff school election. §7-5-418(a)
October		
10/1/2004	10 days after annual school election	5:00 p.m Deadline for county clerk to receive absentee ballots from voters outside the United States for the school election. §7-5-411(a)(1)
10/1/2004	10 days after annual school election	Deadline for county board of election commissioners to meet and canvass returns and certify the election results if there were any outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §§7-5-701; 7-5-411;6-14-115(a)
10/1/2004	10 days after annual school election (no earlier than 48 hrs.)	Deadline for county board of election commissioners to ascertain and declare results of school board election. §6-14-115(a)
10/2/2004*	10 days before runoff school election	Deadline for county board of elections commissioners to deliver absentee ballots to the county clerk for the runoff election. §7-5-407(b)
10/2/2004*	10 days before runoff school election	Deadline for County Board of Election Commissioners to place demonstration voting machines for the runoff school election. §7-5-509
10/2/2004*	10 days before runoff school election	Beginning day for the school board to publish polling sites for the runoff school election. §6-14-106(d)
10/5/2004	7 days before runoff school election	Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for runoff school election. §7-5-403(a)(2)
10/9/2004*	3 days before runoff school election	Deadline for the school board to publish polling sites for the runoff school election. §6-14-106(d)
10/11/2004	20 days after annual school election	Deadline to contest school election. §6-14-116(b)
10/11/2004	1 day before runoff school election	Deadline for county clerks to receive applications for absentee ballots for the school runoff election in person, or by a designated bearer. §7-5-403(a)(2)
10/11/2004	1 day before runoff school election	Deadline for voter (except for overseas voters) to deliver or to cast an absentee ballot in person with the county clerk or to participate in early voting. §7-5-411
10/11/2004	1 day before runoff school election	Deadline for county board of election commissioners to select and deliver ballots to designated person for delivery to polling sites. §7-5-211(a)(1)
10/12/2004	3 weeks following annual school election	RUNOFF SCHOOL ELECTION §6-14-121 (Polls open at 7:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m.) §7-5-304
10/12/2004	Runoff school election	1:30 p.m Deadline for delivery of application for an absentee ballot by an authorized agent of the voter. §7-5-403
10/12/2004	Runoff school election	Deadline for civilian voters outside the U.S. to sign, date, postmark and personally mail absentee ballots to the county clerk (must be received by the county clerk by 10 days after election.) §7-5-411
10/12/2004	Runoff school election	7:30 p.m Deadline for county clerk to receive absentee ballots (except for overseas ballots) by mail, or administrator, or designated bearer or an authorized agent for the runoff school election. §7-5-411(a)(2)(A)
10/12/2004	Runoff school election	Deadline for uniformed services personnel on active duty to execute absentee ballots (must be received by the county clerk by 5:00 p.m. 10 days after the election). §7-5-411
10/12/2004	Runoff school election	Election sheriff shall post "Vote Here" sign near each main driveway entrance to polling site. §7-4-107(b)
10/12/2004	Immediately after the polls close	Deadline for return of all election material from the polls to the county board of election commissioners for the runoff school election. §7-5-317(b)

10/14/2004	2 days after runoff school election	First day for county board of election commissioners can ascertain and declare results of school board election (if there are no outstanding overseas absentee ballots). §6-14-115(a)
10/22/2004	10 calendar days after runoff school election	5:00 p.m Deadline for the county clerk to receive absentee ballots from voters outside the United States for the runoff school election. §7-5-411(a)(1)
10/22/2004	10 calendar days after runoff school election	Deadline for county board of election commissioners to meet and canvass returns and certify the election results if there were any outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §§7-5-701; 7-5-411;6-14-115(a)
NOVEMBER		
11/1/2004	20 days after the runoff school election	Deadline to contest the runoff school election. §6-14-116(b)
NOTE	*These dates fall on a weekend or a holiday. Any deadlines falling on a weekend or holiday when the designated filing office is closed are extended to the following business day. §7-1-108	

2004 School Election Campaign Finance Information

Required reports and their filing deadlines are as follows:			
Type of Report			
10 day Pre-election Report for School Election			
10 day Pre-election Report for School Run Off Election			
Final Report for School Election			
Final Report for School Run Off Election			
Supplemental Report	**		
Unopposed candidates are not required to file pre-election reports.			

ACA§7-6-203(h)(2) If an unopposed candidate agrees not to solicit further campaign contributions by filing

an affidavit declaring such agreement, the candidate may dispose of any surplus campaign funds prior to a general election as soon as the time has passed to declare an intent to be a write-in candidate pursuant to §7-5-205. The affidavit shall be filed with the county clerk in the county where the candidate resides and, in the event the candidate is seeking a state or district office, also with the Secretary of State Unopposed candidates and defeated candidates who file the affidavit are exempt from further reporting requirements provided that the affidavit contains a statement that the candidate's campaign fund has a zero balance.

Candidates who have not received contributions in excess of \$500 are not required to file a pre-election report.

^{**} If any contributions are received after the final report is filed, a **supplemental report** is due within 30 days of the receipt of the contribution.